BEFORE THE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of:						
PARENT ON BEHALF OF STUDENT,	OAH CASE NO. 2013120458					
v. LOS ANGELES UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT.	ORDER GRANTING REQUEST FOR CONTINUANCE AND SETTING PREHEARING CONFERNCE AND DUE PROCESS HEARING					
On January 23, 2014, the parties filed their initial stipulated request to continue the dates in this matter.						

A due process hearing must be conducted and a decision rendered within 45 days of receipt of the due process notice unless an extension is granted for good cause. (34 C.F.R. § 300.515(a) & (c) (2006); Ed. Code, §§ 56502, subd. (f), 56505, subd. (f)(3); Cal. Code Regs., tit. 1, § 1020.) As a result, continuances are disfavored. Good cause may include the unavailability of a party, counsel, or an essential witness due to death, illness or other excusable circumstances; substitution of an attorney when the substitution is required in the interests of justice; a party's excused inability to obtain essential testimony or other material evidence despite diligent efforts; or another significant, unanticipated change in the status of the case as a result of which the case is not ready for hearing. (See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1332(c).) OAH considers all relevant facts and circumstances, including the proximity of the hearing date; previous continuances or delays; the length of continuance requested; the availability of other means to address the problem giving rise to the request; prejudice to a party or witness as a result of a continuance; the impact of granting a continuance on other pending hearings; whether trial counsel is engaged in another trial; whether the parties have stipulated to a continuance; whether the interests of justice are served by the continuance; and any other relevant fact or circumstance. (See Cal. Rules of Court, rule 3.1332(d).)

OAH has reviewed the request for good cause and considered all relevant facts and circumstances. The request is:

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order.	This n	natter will	be set as follows:		

Mediation:

[Parties have participated in mediation and did not request an additional mediation. Mediation is voluntary. If the parties agree to a second mediation, they should contact OAH to secure a

mediation date.]

Prehearing Conference: March 31, 2014, 10 a.m

Due Process Hearing: April 7, 2014, 1:30 p.m., and April 8, April 9, and

April 10, 9:00 a.m. and continuing day to day, Monday through Thursday, as needed at the discretion of the Administrative Law Judge.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: January 23, 2014

/s

EILEEN COHN

Administrative Law Judge

Office of Administrative Hearings